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Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

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Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

- 1. Submission required under 37 CFR § 1.114
 - a. _ Previously submitted

i. _ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR 1.116 previously filed on _

ii. _ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _

iii. _ Other _

b. Enclosed

i. X After-Final Reply

ii. _ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)

iii. _ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)

iv. \underline{X} Other:

2. Miscellaneous

- a. _ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of _ months (not to exceed three months). The required fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) is included in Section 3. a. iii. below.
- b. _ Other

3. Fees

- a. _ The following fees are included in the payment indicated below:
 - i. X RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e)
 - ii. X Extension of time fee required under 37 CFR 1.136 &
 - 1.17
 - iii. Other_

b. _ Payment:

- i. \underline{X} A check in the amount of \$740.00 for the RCE and a check in the amount of \$920.00 for a three-month extension of time are enclosed
- ii. The Director is hereby authorized to charge the fees listed above in Section 3 a i-iii to the Deposit Account of Crowell & Moring, L.L.P., Account No. 05-1323 (Docket No.)
- iii. X If a check should become detached or if there is any deficiency in fees, any necessary fees should be charged, or any overpayment in fees should be credited, to the Deposit Account of Crowell & Moring, L.L.P., Account No. 05-1323 (Docket No. 381AS/49210).

Respectfully submitted,

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